

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 31 2025

RE: S.R. No. 43  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred S.R. No. 43 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF BOATING AND OCEAN RECREATION AND KAHOO LAWE ISLAND RESERVE COMMISSION TO WORK COLLABORATIVELY AND IN PARTNERSHIP TO MAINTAIN THE KIHEI RAMP FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Department of Land and Natural Resources to partner with the Kahoolawe Island Reserve Commission to collaboratively improve and facilitate the continued repair, rehabilitation, and redevelopment of the Kihei ramp.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission and one individual.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Your Committee finds that the Kihei ramp is used by the South Maui community to access the nearshore waters for recreation, including fishing, diving, and other activities. Your Committee further finds that the Department of Land and Natural Resources has established a program to collaborate with community nonprofits



to better administer state projects and manage facilities, such as Haena State Park on Kauai, and to ensure that proper attention is given to needed repairs and maintenance. Your Committee also finds that the Kahoolawe Island Reserve Commission regularly uses the Kihei ramp for access to Kahoolawe and has plans to develop a visitor center next to the Kihei ramp, making the Commission an ideal partner for the Department that can help leverage private investment and support for the Kihei ramp. Accordingly, this measure requests the Department of Land and Natural Resources to partner with the Kahoolawe Island Reserve Commission to effectively manage the Kihei ramp for the betterment of the community.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending its title to better reflect its purpose; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 43, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 43, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Water and Land,

  
LORRAINE R. INOUÉ, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-Third Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive;">SR 43</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive;">WTL</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive;">03/21/25</div>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312         </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311         </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310         </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313         </div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley	✓			
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
DECORTE, Samantha	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	5	0	0	0
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted         <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted         </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> </div>				
Distribution: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">Original File with Committee Report</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Yellow Clerk's Office</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Pink Drafting Agency</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Goldenrod Committee File Copy</div> </div>				

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